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## IT'S YES TO BOTH!!

Decisions have been made and here are the results



The Allora Heritage Weekend will go ahead next year on January 23 and 24 at the Allora Showgrounds.



The Allora Show Society has decided that the Allora Show must go on. Set aside February 5 and 6 next year.

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## White Ribbon Day On Friday

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## Bridge Opening This Saturday



The Allora Golf Club has waited 25 years for this bridge so the members are pretty chuffed that it's finally happened.

Michael Maher the son of top golfer Tommy as well as members of Rita Rickert's family, the Pattersons will do the honours of officially opening the Maher-Rickert Bridge. Rita was a very good lady golfer who played at the same time as Tommy.

Other Officials at the opening will be James

Lister MP Member for Southern Downs, SDRC Councillor Mark Gliori and the Honorable Tom McVeigh who was born in Allora and remembers Tommy Maher playing golf as a junior.

Allora residents are welcome to come along on Saturday and be part of Allora history at the official opening.

Meet at the Allora Sports Club by 2pm and the ribbon cutting will take place at 3pm.

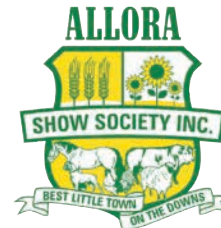
## Local laundry services moved back to Allora

Southern Cross Care Queensland, the operator of two Allora residential aged care facilities, has recently made the decision to move their laundry services back on-site.

Allora Homestead and Allora Nursing Home had

been using outsourced laundry services until this month, when the decision was made to return the service to the Homestead. This decision has meant a local Allora resident has gained almost full-time employment.

## All go for Allora Show



"Everyone has been crying out for it because they want to go somewhere and do something."

It's now a matter of finding the volunteers to make the event feasible.

Mr Pillar is calling on the community to help out where they can.

"All the help we can get will be much appreciated," he said.

"We're going to try and run as close as possible to out normal schedule but because of social distancing we may have to sacrifice a few things."

Anyone with ideas or an eager pair of hands can contact Mark on 0447 161 090.

It will be all go for the Allora Show Society who will be holding the annual Allora Show on February 5 and 6.

President Mark Pillar said it's a relief to have finally made a decision.

"There's a little bit more pressure on us than normal as you'd expect. We've been sitting out waiting for the rules and regulations to relax a bit before we made the call," he said.

## It's Definitely On!!



The popular Allora Heritage Weekend will go ahead next year as previously planned before Covid-19 threw a spanner in the works. However volunteers are desperately needed to help during the weekend and to enforce Covid Safe restrictions.

Enthusiasts come from many states to attend the event on the long weekend in January.

Main Features in 2021 include Massey Tractors,

Mack Trucks, American Cars, Southern Cross Engines and English bikes. Visitors will be enthralled by the displays of vintage and veterans cars and trucks, historical machinery and antiques.

There'll be a Swap Meet both days and bush poets to entertain the crowds

Admission \$10 per adult, children free.

Circle the dates on your calendar - Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th January 2021 for the **Allora Heritage Weekend** at the Allora Showgrounds. For information phone the President Graeme on 0428 717 623.

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## Advice From The Allora Police In Lead-Up To Christmas

### PROPERTY SECURITY

With the Christmas season fast approaching, Allora Police would like to remind local residents that now is a good time to ensure property security – homes and vehicles. Whether you're in close proximity to your car parked up the main street or away from home for a day or two, the pre-Christmas lead-up can usually see a spike in property crime; albeit offenders targeting places as more people travel away, or due the fact residents are known to be stocking up in preparation with Christmas gifts and food. Even if you're at home, please lock up. Even if you're just ducking into a shop for 5 minutes, please secure your car and remove any items of value from sight. Just the little things can make a difference as to whether you become a Victim-of-Crime or not. By and large, we've had a good year in Allora and the surrounding area in terms of reported property crime, but with the increasing traffic on the highway, the people travelling through the area generally and even new people moving to the area, residents are asked not to lapse or become complacent in terms of property and vehicle security.

Christmas holiday season, local residents are urged to take care on the roads; whether travelling away or remaining in the area. As the borders slowly re-open and traffic on our main highways increase, people need to be aware of and recognise that they need to drive to the conditions. Of note and with schools soon to break-up, local Police are looking to remind children and their parents that it is a lawful requirement that anyone – adult and child alike - riding a bicycle on a road, is to wear a helmet. This is for safety reasons. It is a law that has now been around, for more than 15 years. Those 17 years of age and older, liable to a fine of \$133 and the parents of children repeatedly caught riding without a helmet, also potentially to receive the same penalty. Education and reminders or warnings only go so far. The road rules are for everyone to abide by, for the safety of all. Allora Officers would simply like everyone within the area to approach and be able to enjoy Christmas and the associated holiday season without worry, incident or injury.

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## Tendering For Council Business

A free information SDRC session will be held next week for all interested local contractors and suppliers.

This is an opportunity to learn how to navigate the Council's Tender and Quoting process.

Find out about Supplier Portal registration, standard tender documents and the

tender evaluation process.

The Southern Downs Regional Council's Economic Development & Tourism Unit in association with Local Buy and Vendor Panel are hosting this session at the Warwick Showgrounds next Wednesday 25th November from 4.30pm to 6pm.

## Allora Swimming Club Doubles Membership



Due to past conditions such as drought, Covid-19 and cold weather swimming club numbers have reduced significantly over recent years. However this year with a motivated committee and by securing a highly regarded national coach, the swimming club is rebuilding, doubling membership and hoping to secure 50 registered swimmers as the season warms up.

One of the biggest swimming events on the Darling Downs Swimming

Calendar is the Allora Annual Rotary Open Carnival to be held on Saturday 5th December.

Locals and businesses have an opportunity to support the Carnival by sponsoring part of the 90 events at the Carnival.

Approximate cost is \$30.00 per event. This money is used to purchase the medallions, ribbons and age champion towels for each event. In return for your sponsorship, your business will be promoted in the printed program on the day as well as over the loudspeaker during the event and sponsors will be thanked through the local media.

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Warwick Library Friday 27 November	9.30am – 12.00pm	Tablets
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Smartphones
Stanthorpe Library Wednesday 2 December	9.30am – 12.00pm	Email
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Email
Warwick Library Friday 4 December	9.30am – 12.00pm	Email
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Email
Stanthorpe Library Wednesday 9 December	9.30am – 12.00pm	Social media
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Social media
Warwick Library Friday 11 December	9.30am – 12.00pm	Social media
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Social media
Stanthorpe Library Wednesday 16 December	9.30am – 12.00pm	Video chat
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Video chat
Warwick Library Friday 18 December	9.30am – 12.00pm	Video chat
	1.00pm – 3.30pm	Video chat

Bookings essential, as places are limited.  
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## Critical water and sewerage infrastructure to be assessed

The region moved another step closer to water security after the Southern Downs Regional Council awarded a contract for the condition assessment of critical water and sewerage infrastructure.

Council-owned reservoirs, tanks, and sewerage pump stations have been identified as the next priority due to the critical role they play in providing water and sewerage services to the community. The condition assessment will be performed by external contractor Hunter H2O with funding received from the Queensland Government Local Government Grants and Subsidy Program.

Councillor Stephen Tancred said Council had a multi-pronged approach to securing the region's future water supply.

"As part of our Water Contingency Plan, we are exploring short, medium and long term strategies for our current and future water

supply," Councillor Tancred said.

"Despite some recent rains, our region has not fully exited this current drought, and it's important we prepare for the next drought. Council continues to investigate all avenues to secure a sustainable water supply for the region."

The condition assessment will test 25 reservoirs and tanks and 34 sewerage pumps across the region. The contractor will also make a number of recommendations and develop a ten-year capital works program and routine maintenance schedule. Council will prioritise replacements and upgrades as appropriate and according to budget constraints.

"It's important to keep our critical infrastructure running and in good shape," Councillor Tancred added.

The assessment is expected to be completed by the end of April 2021.

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## Mark Furner retains agriculture portfolio

Member for Ferny Grove, Mark Furner, will continue as Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and take on the Rural Communities portfolio as part of the new Queensland Government cabinet.

Mr Furner is well versed in the agricultural portfolio having held the position for almost three years.

However, the Brisbane-based member will need to hit the ground running to have an impact in the Rural Communities portfolio with no electorates west of Ipswich West represented by Labor Members of Parliament.

Mr Furner said he is proud to continue his work in the portfolio.

"I am both humbled and proud to be afforded this opportunity to serve the good, hard working women and men who are the salt of the earth in the primary industries throughout our great state of Queensland," he said.

Queensland Farmers' Federation CEO Dr Georgina Davis said organisation is ready and willing to work with Mr Furner and the new Ministry.



"The new Queensland Ministry must guarantee farmers fair production costs, create and foster an environment that promotes productivity and resilience, enables innovation, and ensures the building blocks and infrastructure that underpin the sector are in place," she said.

"Agriculture is the only sector with the ability to deliver food security, environmental sustainability and economic opportunity. In order to achieve this, the new Ministry must deliver the necessary investment and enabling agricultural policies."

LNP Member for Gympie Tony Perrett MP is the Shadow Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Forestry.

## Plant pests webinar next Tuesday

Local growers are invited to join the Queensland Government's webinar to learn about exotic, notifiable and endemic pests of horticultural concern, including fall armyworm, cucumber green mottle mosaic virus, tomato potato psyllid, and exotic leafminers.

The one-hour webinar will focus on what to look for and how to manage these pests.

The webinar will be held on Tuesday, November 24 from 4pm to 5pm. For more information or to book a place in the webinar go to: [www.growcom.com.au/events/](http://www.growcom.com.au/events/)

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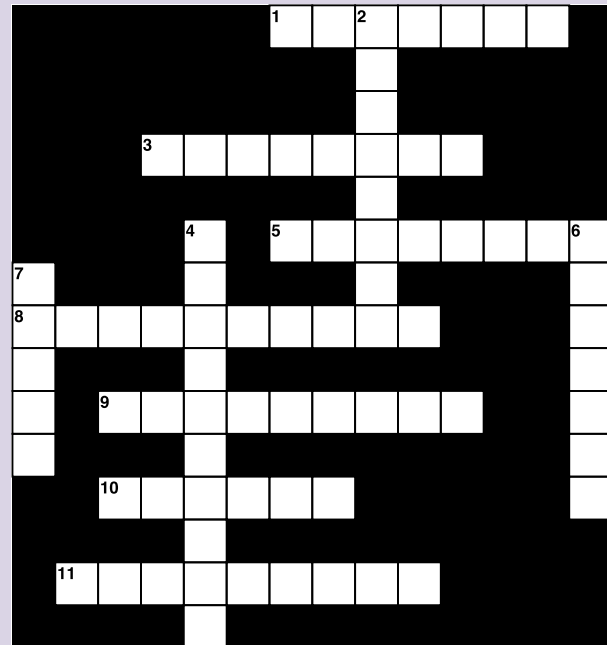
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# CREATIVE CORNER

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- Across**
1. Vehicles on a road collectively.
  3. Walkway for pedestrians.
  5. To travel at a rate beyond the posted limit.
  8. This week's crossword theme (4,6).
  9. Vehicle often seen at the scene of a collision.
- Down**
10. Law-keeping force.
  11. Safety restraints.
  2. Unforeseen misfortune on the road.
  4. Driver's concern in thick fog.
  6. Yield to other traffic, perhaps (4,3).
  7. Do not "\_\_\_\_\_" and drive.

## Jeremy's View

### Connie is very sick

We have got two dogs at our house. They are both Cavalier King Charles Spaniels. Their names are Missie and Connie and they are fourteen and thirteen years old. King Charles Spaniels are named after a Stuart King called King Charles. Missie was the dog in my last article about my dad's ute.



On Saturday we noticed that Connie wasn't eating or walking around much and was breathing very fast. So on Saturday morning Mum took her straight to the vet. Later that morning the vet phoned mum and said that Connie had fluid in her lungs and a rapid heart rate and asked if they could do an x-ray. Mum agreed to the x-ray and they later said that Connie has heart disease from her heart getting old and stretched. So now she has to take 3 different tablets twice per day. One is called Vetmedin another one is called VetAce and the other one is called Frudix. They help Connie's heart to work better. One of the medicines Connie has was donated by another family whose dog had recently passed away with the same thing as Connie. We would like to thank them but don't know their name.

Connie is still sick but the tablets have made her a lot better than she was before. And now she is eating again too. We really love Connie and we hope that she gets better soon but don't want her to be in pain. Mum is taking her back to the vet for a check up again on this coming Saturday.

Jeremy Lister, age 9

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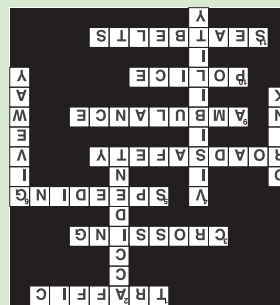
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### TODAY'S QUOTE

"Not how long, but how well you have lived is the main thing - Seneca"

### SOLUTIONS

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**BAD JOKE OF THE WEEK**

Three blokes walk into a bar ...

You'd think the third one would've ducked?

## Looking Back...

Allora's Past 25 years ago  
November 1995.

### Farm Stay

Nine Year 6 students from the Seville Road State School at Holland Park in Brisbane stayed with farm families in the Allora district under the State Government's new 'Kids on Farm' project. Queensland Graingrowers Association representative John Agnew helped organize the visit.

Minister for Rural Communities Terry Mackenroth said that the project was aimed to build bridges between the city and the country by giving city children a chance to appreciate the nature of country life.

Allora State School students Kirstie Davey, Emma Pettet, Kathryn Hardcastle, Theresa Van Saane, Janelle Anderson and Carla Geitz were some of those taking the city children under their wings for the week.

Allora's Past 50 years ago  
November 1970

### Allora & District Historical Society

The Society now has the old School of Arts for storage and display purposes, and we will be pleased to accept any old articles, photos and records of historical value. Before you throw that old article away contact a member of the Society, it may be of more historical value than you think. Items may be either given or loaned to the Society.

Ray Shooter, President.  
Roy Neale, Hon. Sec.

Allora's Past 75 years ago  
November 1945

### Wheat Harvest

Wheat harvesting is now in full swing in the Allora district and it is expected that a greater quantity of wheat will be harvested this year than in any other year. To date the Wheat Board's Allora depot has distributed 150,000 new bags and they are still going out. This number far exceeds total distribution in any previous year. The grain is being delivered at a steady rate to the depot, up to 20,000 bags having been received up to Friday last. At night there is a long line of trucks waiting outside the depot in order to commence delivery at the opening of business the next day.

Allora's Past 100 years ago  
November 1920

### Railway Accident

A collision between a railway engine and a trolley occurred last night near the Hendon station and Mr Daniel Doyle, a ganger of Deuchar, who was a married man with a wife and large family, was killed. The accident occurred on the Hendon bank, a half to three-



Lewis May's ex-army 1941 Ford loaded with wheat for the Allora depot. Photo is courtesy Errol May.

quarters of a mile from Hendon. Doyle, who had been connected with the railway department for many years, was riding a trolley returning to his home near Deuchar when on a steep incline, he met a train coming towards him at a good speed. The trolley was smashed. Dr Sapsford and the Allora police proceeded to the scene and the body was taken to Allora.

Allora's Past 150 years ago  
November 1870

### New Road

A new road through Messrs Hodgson & Green's purchased land (Goomburra Station), leading towards the Allora Railway Station (Hendon), has been confirmed by His Excellency with the advice of the Executive Council.

Colin Newport

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Monica, Kay, Paul, Tom, Patrick and families.

### BALMAIN, Andrew James Ian

Late of Allora, formerly of Cecil Plains, died peacefully on 10th November 2020, aged 77 years.

Loving Husband of Ann. Much loved Father, Father-in-law and Grandad of James, Regina, Sophie and Stirling; David, Liza, Orla and Rohan. Loving Brother of Alison, Frances, Bob, Douglas (dec'd), Richard and their families.

A Funeral Service for Andrew will be held at Allora on Friday, 20th November 2020 at 2.00pm. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, attendance at the service will be by personal invitation from the family. If you wish to attend, please contact Liza on 0428 785 767 by 12 noon Thursday 19th November. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cancer Council Qld; gift envelopes available at the Church.



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A funeral for Anne will be held at the Warwick Funerals Chapel, Wednesday 25th November 2020. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, attendance is limited, please text Alvena on 0438 663 713 who is managing the attendance list. For those unable to attend you are welcome to view the service via livestream. Please go to www.burstows.com.au/tribute-centre.



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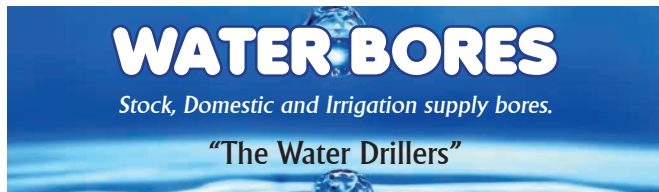
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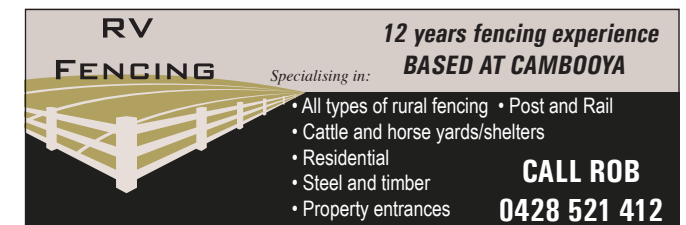
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# New Allora Cricket Oval Sign



Local Allora cricketers Jacob Meddleton (left) and current Captain Sean Bryson help hang The Allora Cricket Club's new sign at K O Masters Oval Clubhouse. Allora competes in the Warwick Cricket Association's Condamine Cup each year, with their home games being played at K O Masters Oval. The sign was designed by the Allora team and created by Alana Frizzell.

# Allora Bowls Notes

Results for week eight of the Tony Morris Night Bowls. AYGE 18 d Railway 8, The Other Team 14 d Generation Gap 5, Fire Ants 17 d Gina's Babies 4, Doesn't Matter 14 d Landcruisers 13, Bowled and Beautiful 15 d A Bowla Viris 8, Tramps Like Us 14 d Pig Lures 9, The Three of Us 18 d Stooges 6. Winners were The Three of Us and Losers The Generation Gap. Hoey Wagyu Touchers won by Nat, Jamis, Tim, Gade, Doug and Lyn. White's Garage Jackpot was not

won and will be \$140 next week.

The Sports Club is looking for volunteers to help out with cleaning, mowing, bar work and waiting. Please talk to Wendy if you are interested in helping out. If we can't get more people involved in helping out around the club, we will need to pay wages, which will reduce money available to spend on improving the clubs facilities. See you next week.



# Allora Golf Notes

Another good field for Friday's **Percy's Fruit Duck Run** with Garry winning with 21 points in a countback from Jack. Pin was won by Tommy Morris

and approach by Benny. Long putt was won by Jim. Rundown Ray, Rod, Aaron and Frizz. Thanks Percy. Sunday was the Monthly Medal with Rod winning his third medal for the year with a net 69. Runner up was Doreen with a net 72. Neil won the pin shot on 4/13 and Sparkie won 8/17. Rod

won the approach and Neil the long putt.

Allora Open weekend starts this Saturday with the Two Person Ambrose. Plenty of spots available.

Sunday is the Open Day Stroke event with a few morning slots available and a couple of afternoon tee times. Congratulations

to Will Duff on a fantastic Corporate Day last Saturday with 23 teams competing for great prizes and raising over \$4,000 for Ronald McDonald House. Tremendous support on the day from local business houses and the Allora Community. See you on the links.



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